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THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL
PEEL AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY WORKING GROUP

MINUTES
PAAWG 2019-02

The Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group (PAAWG) met on April 25, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Peel Centre Conference Room, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton.

Members Present: Gary Mountain, Chair, Peel Soil and Crop Improvement Association
Karen Hutchinson, Caledon Countryside Alliance
Manjari Mehta, Citizen-at-Large
Paul Risebrough, Citizen-at-Large
Merissa Nudelman, Ecosource
Tom Dolson, Peel Federation of Agriculture
Jennifer Innis, Regional Councillor
Brian Wannamaker, Citizen-at-Large
Kristen Carberry, Peel Federation of Agriculture
Ed Russell, Peel Soil and Crop Improvement Association

Members Absent: Nando Ianicca, Region of Peel Chair
Michael Palleschi, Regional Councillor
Stephen Dasko, Regional Councillor

Staff: Nadine Abrams, Rural Clean Water Program Coordinator, Toronto and Region Conservation
Mark Eastman, Senior Coordinator, Agricultural Outreach, Credit Valley Conservation
Jordan Graham, Program Coordinator, Agricultural Outreach, Credit Valley Conservation
Mark Head, Manager, Region of Peel
Ricardo Razao, Junior Planner, Region of Peel
Don Campbell, Principal Planner, Region of Peel

1) Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Gary Mountain, Chair.

2) Declarations of Conflict of Interest

No Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group Member declared a conflict of interest.

3) Approval of 2019-02 Agenda

Moved by Councillor Innis;

That the agenda for the Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group meeting held on April 25, 2019, be approved.

Carried PAAWG 2019-01

4) Approval of 2019-01 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Karen Hutchinson;

That the Minutes from the Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group meeting 2019-01, held on March 21, 2019, be approved.

Carried PAAWG 2019-02

5) Peel Rural Water Quality Program

Nadine Abrams, Toronto & Region Conservation

Mark Eastman, Credit Valley Conservation

Jordan Graham, Credit Valley Conservation

a) 2019 PRWQP Budget Overview

TRCA and CVC staff provided an annual summary of the Peel Rural Water Quality Program project approvals and status of the budget. Unspent carryover funds from 2018 totaled \$40,000 of which \$33,000 was reallocated to other priority projects by the Conservation Authorities. The remaining unspent amount of \$7,000 was carried over to the 2019 Rural Water Quality Program budget for projects. In total, \$82,000 has been approved for Peel Rural Water Quality Program (PRWQP) projects in 2019. An additional contribution of \$20,000 will be provided by TRCA in April. If all projects are approved today the total expenditures would be \$70,201.39 leaving a new balance of \$31,789.61.

6) PRWQP Applications

Nadine Abrams, Toronto & Region Conservation

Mark Eastman, Credit Valley Conservation

Jordan Graham, Credit Valley Conservation

a) 07-CVC-18 Manure Storage, Handling Systems and Composting Facilities, Nutrient Management Strategy and Plan

Moved by Paul Risebrough;

That CVC project 07-CVC-18 be approved for funding in the amount of \$17,050 under the category of "Manure Storage, Handling Systems and Composting Facilities, Nutrient Management Strategy and Plan" subject to the requirements as noted in the application that the applicant prepare an updated Nutrient Management Strategy and Nutrient Management Plan and that the Nutrient Management Strategy and Plan be updated to eliminate the permitted 150 days of temporary field storage of beef manure.

Carried PAAWG 2019-03

A motion to amend the motion to approve project 07-CVC-18 was moved by Tom Dolson to add a further direction to staff “that program staff be directed to discuss options for the elimination of temporary field storage of turkey manure with the applicant and report back to the PAAWG on results of the discussion”.

Carried PAAWG 2019-04

b) 01-CVC-19 Natural Area Enhancement and Creation

Moved by Karen Hutchinson;

That CVC project 01-CVC-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$6,427.21 under the category of “Natural Area Enhancement and Creation.”

Carried PAAWG 2019-05

c) 02-CVC-19 Natural Area Enhancement and Creation

Moved by Ed Russel;

That CVC project 02-CVC-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$1,104.69 under the category of “Natural Area Enhancement and Creation” subject to the condition that the owner demonstrate that they have carried out a commercial farm operation on the property in 2019 and are eligible to receive Peel Rural Water Quality Program funding.

Carried PAAWG 2019-06

d) 03-CVC-19 Tree Planting

Moved by Karen Hutchinson;

That CVC project 03-CVC-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$619.49 under the category of “Tree Planting.”

Carried PAAWG 2019-07

e) 01-TRCA-19 Tree Planting

Moved by Councillor Innis;

That TRCA project 01-TRCA-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000 under the category of “Tree Planting.”

Carried PAAWG 2019-08

f) 02-TRCA-19 Tree Planting

Moved by Paul Risebrough;

That TRCA project 02-TRCA-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000 under the category of "Tree Planting."

Carried PAAWG 2019-09

g) 03-TRCA-19 Tree Planting

Moved by Ed Russel;

That TRCA project 03-TRCA-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000 under the category of "Tree Planting."

Carried PAAWG 2019-10

h) 04-TRCA-19 Tree Planting

Moved by Karen Hutchinson;

That TRCA project 04-TRCA-19 be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000 under the category of "Tree Planting."

Carried PAAWG 2019-11

7) Agricultural Advisory Committees: Recognizing the Value of Agriculture in the Golden Horseshoe - Review of Key Findings

Mark Head, Region of Peel

Mark Head provided an overview of recent research on agricultural advisory committees in the Golden Horseshoe. The research focused analysis on the role, purpose, structure, membership, and responsibilities of advisory committees and provided recommendations regarding best practices. The research results were provided to PAAWG members for information with the recommendation that a discussion on the current terms of reference for PAAWG be added to a future agenda for the purpose of reviewing the current terms to determine if revisions may be appropriate.

8) Communication and Information Items

Mark Head, Region of Peel

Ricardo Razao, Region of Peel

- Grown in Peel Update
- Listening and Learning to Support Agri-food Businesses

Adjourn Meeting / Next Meeting

Moved by Ed Russell;

That the April 25, 2019, Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group meeting be adjourned.

Carried PAAWG 2019-12

The meeting stood adjourned at 9:22 p.m. The next Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group meeting will be on August 22, 2019.